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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 2327 Arlington, VA 22202

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated June 22, 2001, please extend the period of time for response by three months, to expire on December 22, 2001, and reconsider the application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please add the following section immediately after the title (page 1, lines 1 and 2):

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

The present application claims the benefit of priority from U.S. Application No. 60/168,976, filed December 3, 1999, now abandoned, and U.S. Application No. 60/137,900,